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TITLE: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR REMOVING
A MATERIAL LAYER FROM A SUBSTRATE

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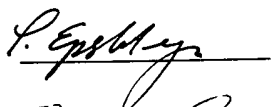
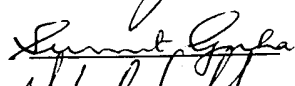
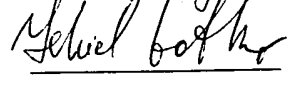

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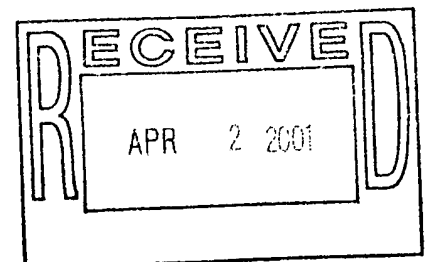
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